

PLANS AND PROGRAMS STAFF WEEKLY REPORT FOR
PERIOD ENDING 13 JULY 1983

1. Progress Report on Tasks Assigned by the DCI/DDCI:

No tasks assigned during this reporting period.

2. Items or Events of Major Interest that have Occurred During the Preceding Week:

a. LIMS

(1) On 6 July the last three LIMS modules--Procurement, Receiving and Payment--were briefed to OL and OF user representatives. Following the formal presentations, most of the 31 attendees remained for a question-and-answer period. This session surfaced a number of user concerns, many of which were generated by OF representatives. In view of these OF concerns, a separate follow-up meeting with the Directors of Logistics and Finance has been scheduled for 15 July to discuss the status of the LIMS Project.

(2) OL personnel continue to submit questions about individual module requirements in the wake of the User Review sessions. The LIMS Team is in the process of responding to these questions.

(3) A LIMS Engineering Review Board (ERB) initiated an intensive series of meetings (7/12) to adjudicate discrepancy reports (DRs). These DRs identify errors in the detailed requirements document --the results of audit by the quality assurance contractor. BAH is responsible for recommending solutions to this substantial quantity of DRs; the ERB must pass judgment on these recommendations. This forum provides an excellent means of fine-tuning the requirements package--and educating contractors and Government personnel alike. Ultimately, the Configuration Control Board will have the final word on altering the content of detailed requirements, in terms of its existing discrepancies.

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b. Regulations Revisions

The following regulations were written, reviewed,
commented upon, concurred in, or published during the
past week:

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Systems Analysis Branch/P&PS/OL
WEEKLY STATUS REPORT
Week of 4 to 8 July 1983

I. Major Activities During the Past Week:

A. Support to OL:

ICS (Inventory Control System). Software modifications and unit testing on the ICS/CONIF, ICS/FARS, ICS/GAS interfaces for the GAS Enhancements Project continue on the ICS development data base, MRS12. [REDACTED]

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A new signon organization for the Office of Communications is available on the development data base, MRS1, with limited query and update capabilities. The requisition cancellation process and the requisition amendment process, menus I008-P and I009-P, respectively, are available for testing by the ICS customer. Software modifications continue for other processes. [REDACTED]

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INFO (INFO Applications). A new INFO System has been designed for the Real Estate Branch, RECD/OL, to keep track of Agency space outside the metropolitan area. The system is similar to the CRAMS INFO System which tracks Agency metropolitan space and the CRAMS programs are used in the new system. The CRAMS System is maintained by the Architectural Design Staff, LSD/OL. [REDACTED]

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Personnel & Training Staff, OL, requested a change to the ASSIGNMENTS INFO file to add fields to the end of the file. Generally, a file cannot be modified that contains records, however, a technique was used that involved re-defining the information before the fields to be added, copying the file definitions to a new file inserting the new item definitions, then moving information from the original file to the new file. [REDACTED]

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AIM (Automated Information Management). Three new OL users were added to the AIM system and were given access to the OL Alias Folder. To date there are 69 OL users on the AIM system. [REDACTED]

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FARS (Federal Automated Requisitioning System). The problem reports that were discussed in the June 30 TEM (Technical Exchange Meeting) are being investigated. [REDACTED]

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MISCELLANEOUS. [redacted] System Analysis Branch, P&PS/OL, attended the GAS Enhancement Status Meeting held on July 6 at [redacted] Building. The date to begin Full System Tests is still firm at July 18. Some items of concern which may impact the tests are (1) staffing problem in OL/B&F, (2) the new GIM Processor, and (3) summarization of specific line items from ICS to GAS. [redacted]

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II. General Items:

None to report.

III. Problems:

A. Support to OL:

ICS (Inventory Control System). The ICS offline data base, ICSBAT, is out of available space. Plans to increase the available space includes getting 1000 additional tracks from the Customer Services Staff and deleting all Activity records added to ICSBAT before January 1, 1979, approximately 129,000 records. It is imperative that the additional tracks be available for the July end of month processing. [redacted]

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CONIF (Contract Information System). Engineering Division, ODP, replaced panels in the Delta Data 7260 Terminals in the CONIF Data Base Section to accomodate Version 3 update to the terminals. This caused havoc when users were prematurely SIGNOFFed the GIMS system when using menus for input. A change to the setting of the terminal configuration solved the problem. [redacted]

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IV. Upcoming Events:

None to report.